(SRI S. R. KANTHI)

to the Chairman is, in an emergency, he can make temporary appointments. The Chairman shall make a report at the meeting. He makes an appointment for a temporary period and that has to be reported to the Board. The Board can take such action as it likes. The appointment may not be rectified by the Board but they may say : what has been done is wrong and the man should go out. When a temporary appointment is made, the Board may say 'no.' There is nothing wrong in that.

Sir, I will go to another point raised about the Panel. The Panel consists of certain number of names. The Joint Select Committee also felt that there will be a priority list. It could be regulated either by regulation or by by-laws. When this is done, I am sure, hon'ble members will not have any chance to grumble against the Chairman because he is bound by the priority given in the list. So, what happens is, the Board, if it makes an appointment of an examiner —say X —the examiner may not be willing to accept it. So, the Board gives the power to the Chairman after making a list of priority. This power is given to the Examiners' Committee under clause 15, because it is over-riding power of the Board to make appointments of examiners, supervisors, etc. So, the power which has been given explicitly in clause 15 and 19, so that there will be no misuse of this power by the Chairman. This Committee is a Committee consisting of the Members of the Board.

†SRI S. SIVAPPA.—The Panel does not come before the Board. The Panel suggested by the Examiner's Committee does not go before the Board for approval. The Chairman can do anything. Then, why should you have a Board at all ? What is the purpose ?

SRI K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Sir, one word more if you permit.

MR. SPEAKER.—No, I am sorry. The question is :

"That the Mysore Secondary Education Examination Board Bill, 1966, as reported by the Joint Select Committee and as amended be passed."

The motion was adopted.

11-30 A.M.

MYSORE ENTERTAINMENT TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1966.

Motion to consider.

SRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—(Minister for Finance).—I be to move:

"That the Mysore Entertainment Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1966 be taken into consideration."

MR. SPEAKER.—Motion moved :

"That the Mysore Entertainment Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1966, be taken into consideration."

SRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—The main features of this Bill are as follows : It is proposed in the first place to do away with the entertainment tax levied on all other entertainments except exhibition of cinematographs and horse races with a view to give encouragement to fine arts like drama, music performance. magic shows, circus, etc., including dance. The second important feature of this Bill is to levy additional surcharge of 25 per cent on the entertainment tax. Hon ble members might recall that in my Budget speech I indicated that Government have decided to establish a film studio in Bangalore with a view to give opportunity to the local producers and local artists to produce films. I also suggested that a Bill in this connection in particular with the object of raising some more resources for this purpose is under the consideration of Govern nent. Therefore, it is proposed that an additional surcharge may be levied on the entertainment tax at the rate of 25 per cent. According to the existing Mysore Entertainments Surcharge Act, 1962, the rate of surcharge is 25 per cent. It is proposed to repeal the said Act and incorporate the relevant provisions in the Entertainment Tax Act itself.

The third feature of this Bill is to raise show tax also. Today Government is getting from entertainment tax including show tax a little over Rs. 1 crore and by way of surcharge the income that the State is getting is a little over Rs. 25 lakhs. The show tax that is being levied today is at the rate specified in the Act, namely :

	Show tax rate
	Rs.
if the shows are held in the City of Bangalore	2-50
if held in cities or towns with a population of 1 lakh and above.	2-00
If held in places with a population of 25,000 and above but less than 1 lakh.	1-50
if held in other places	1-00

It is sought to raise this by this Bill as follows :

if the shows are held in the City of Bangalore in Class I theatres.	10-00
if the shows are held in the City of Bangalore in theatres other than Class I	5-00
if the shows are held in cities or towns with a populatio of 50,000 and above.	5-00
if held in places with a population of 20,000 and above but less than 50,000.	3-00
if held in other places	2-00

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The additional income by this increase in show tax will be roughly Rs. 5 to 8 lakhs. Similarly, the additional income from enhancement of surcharge on entertainment tax will be roughly Rs. 25 lakhs. The additional income derived from this Bill be in a substantial measure utilised for the promotion of the film industry in this State. There has been a very long-standing demand that sufficient encouragement is not given for Kannada films and their production in Mysore State by the State Gevernment. The idea is not only to help establishing a film studio in Bangalore but also to give encouragement to the production of Kannada films by giving financial assistance either by way of loan or subsidy. Therefore, this Bill has been introduced and I am sure Hon'ble members will welcome this measure.

Member's Representations

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Maddur).—I beg to raise a very serious matter that has taken place after Queston Hour. Five of the hon'ble members of this House have been taken to custdoy by the police. Now I think more than one question crops up.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Are we going to discuss this question at this hou whithout ascertaining facts ?

I have to inform the House at this stage that I have received notice from the hon'ble member of certain facts. It includes, as he referred to, the arrest of certain members of the Legislature. The House is aware that if any hon'ble member is arrested at any time anywhere it must be reported to the Speaker at once. I have not received any intimation as yet. I am calling for information. Without full information if we spend the time of the House on this question now, we will have to re-do it when the full information comes to us. So, I suggest that we may take up this question on Monday after Question Hour.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—You were pleased to say that when a member of this House is arrested the Speaker has to be informed.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not know whether my Office has got intimation.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—The fact that I have placed before this House is that certain members were arrested at about 9 o'clock this morning. I would like to know from the Speaker whether the Police who arrested these hon'ble members have reported this mater to the Speaker, and whether this arrest would involve breach of privilege of this House. These are the two questions involved and I would like the Speaker to take serious notice of these matters.

Mr. SPEAKER.—So, far as the two points are concerned, there is no scope for debate at all. I have been on the dias and therefore it is not possible for me to say what has been received and what has not been